

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Kevin Ellis *et al.* Examiner: H. Mahmoudi
U.S. Application No. : 10/783,862 Art Unit: 2165
Filed : February 20, 2004
For : A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING AN
IMPROVED GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE FOR
SEARCH

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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance attached to the Notice of Allowability in the above-identified application, the applicants respectfully submit the following comments.

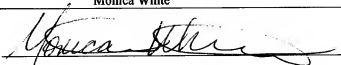
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The Examiner has pointed out how a particular feature recited in the independent claims differs from the prior art. It is respectfully submitted that each claim must be considered as a whole when making comparisons to the prior art, and that each and every claim in the application recites an invention that is patentable over the prior art. To the extent that the Examiner's statement is intended to be interpreted to limit the scope of the allowed claims, the applicants respectfully disagree with that statement.

The Issue Fee is paid herewith. Prompt issuance of Letters Patent is respectfully requested.

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